

For The Middle District of Pennsylvania

Dorian Trevor Sykes,

Plaintiff,

V.

DECLARATION

Warden, B.A. Bledsoe
et al.,

Dorian T. Sykes

Civil Action No. 3:11-1158

Defendants

(Munley, D.J.)

(Mannion, M.J.)

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Dorian Trevor Sykes] hereby declares: I have first-hand knowledge to the statement I am about to make.

On July 6th, 2011, I was forced against my will to cell partner with inmate Eugene Washington, by Correctional Officer Wise. Wise informed me that SJS Lt. Heath and Unit Manager Brewer instructed for myself and inmate Washington to be cell partner's. I was initially separated from inmate Washington on June 30th, 2011 - after complaining to Unit Manager Brewer that Washington had been assaulting me and depriving me of food.

On June 30th, 2011 I was placed in a cell with inmate Juan Ortiz. Ortiz told the unit officer Liesenfeld that we must separate because he found out through other inmates that I am an inmate informant. I requested protective

custody once Orteiz put staff on notice because I was in fear that he would assault me. But instead of admitting me into protective custody, I was forced to go back into the cell with inmate Washington, even with defendant, Lt. Heath and Unit Manager Drewes having prior knowledge of Washington assaulting me.

I received a threatening letter via mail [see Exhibit A] from inmate John Anthony Cole. In his letter, Cole, demands that I have my family send him \$500 and if I refuse, Cole swears to have his notorious "Crips" gang kill me! This is the second letter I have received from Cole threatening my life as a means of extortion. The first letter was sent to my mother's home address, when I put defendants: Lt. Heath, Lt. Bender and Warden Eledsoe on notice - I was told by Deputy Captain Snider that the handwriting didn't match Cole's.

I have missed Cole's June 1st, 2011 deadline for the \$500, and now I am receiving threats from Cole's affiliates, threatening that they will carry out the "Hit" when the opportunity presents itself. Cole's affiliates include, but are not limited to: Crips, Bloods, G.D.'s, Vice Lords, Latin Kings, People's, etc. Anyone of the above gangs may carry out the "Hit" if like Cole says, when the opportunity presents itself. The above gangs have alliances with one another, thus making it their obligation to carry out "Hits" for one another. Defendants: Lt. Heath, and Lt. Bender know this to be truth because they are gang specialists here at SMU - Lewisburg.

I live in constant fear that on any given day my life will

be taken at the hands of violence, due to my "snitch label." The defendants have done nothing to abate imminent danger of serious physical injury.

I am in fear that inmate Eugene Washington will revert right back to assaulting me and depriving me of food.

I have provided each defendant named in the complaint with the foregoing information, requested protective custody, to no avail. This is an on-going issue.

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at [Lewisburg, PA] on July 6th, 2011

Arrian T. Byrd
Signature

Magistrate Judge, Mannion

I am writing you this letter in regards to Civil Action No. 3:11-1158
Sykes v. Bledsoe et al.,

I have a "TRO" and Preliminary Injunction ORDER currently
infront of you your Honor - and I would prayfully ask that
you consider the enclosed Declaration as evidence when
making your decision. I am also respectfully asking for a speedy
resolution w/ Preliminary Injunction, as my life is in fact in
imminent danger. Thank you

Sincerely,

Dustin Sykes

Clerk,

would you please forward me with the name & address
of the Defendants lawyer, so that I may put them
on notice of Jury Demand.

Thank you


Sincerely,
S. Sykes

Re: Sykes v. Bledsoe et al.,

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